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Met with Mr. Albert Westphal, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, and reviewed with him the outlook for S. 1785, a bill to improve certain benefits for employees who serve in high-risk situations. This bill provides, among other things, for absence of an employee for up to one year due to injury in stated circumstances without charge to leave. Mr. Westphal feels that this provision will have no difficulty in reconsideration by the Committee. However, the present work load of the Committee and considerations related to other provisions of the high-risk bill make it difficult to estimate a time for final action in the House. Mr. Westphal is familiar with the details of Agency interest in this provision from the previous handling by the Committee.

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At his request met with Mr. Carl Marcy, Staff Director, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, who reviewed in some detail various problem cases that have arisen in the Committee where members of the Executive Branch have responded directly to the Chairman, or his personal staff, concerning inquiries forwarded from the Committee. Mr. Marcy advised that Chairman Fulbright has designated Pat Holt as a point of contact in the Committee staff structure on such matters where CIA is involved. He requested that where appropriate that Mr. Holt be advised of instances of direct contact back with the Chairman or his personal staff so that Committee staff suspense on the item might be terminated. I advised Mr. Marcy that I saw no problems and we would be pleased to assist. See Memorandum for the Record for details.

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Lukens (R., Ohio) in connection with his 16 May letter to the Director requesting answers to certain detailed questions on the National Student Association. Mr. Lukens said he appreciated our position and that he would review a copy of the Katzenbach report which I gave him as an authoritative answer to some of his questions. He also thanked me for the legislative material including the council bills and a copy of the Fascell hearings. However, he said he would appreciate any answer we can give him in writing. I said we would be in touch with him again. See Memorandum for the Record.